

### **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

### **Listing of Claims:**

1-25. (Cancelled)

26. (Previously Presented) A system comprising:

- (a) a cleaning utensil including a head portion and main body portion, where the main body portion defines a reservoir for cleaning solution and the head portion is configured to dispense the cleaning solution; and
- (b) a holder for supporting the cleaning utensil comprising:
  - (i) a support platform sized and configured to receive and support the head portion of the cleaning utensil, wherein the support platform includes a back wall extending upward from the back edge of the support platform,
  - (ii) a retaining arrangement integral with the support platform, the retaining arrangement being configured to constrain the head of the cleaning utensil within the holder so that the reservoir of the cleaning utensil is situated downwardly from the head portion, wherein the retaining arrangement comprises a continuous ridge parallel with and along at least a portion of the front edge of the support platform, wherein the ridge includes a substantially flat surface for engaging a portion of a cleaning utensil, wherein the ridge extends along about half or more of a distance of the front edge of the support platform; and
- (c) a drainage conductor arranged proximate a front edge of the support platform, wherein the drainage conductor includes first and second flange members along a periphery on the drainage conductor.

27. (Cancelled)

28. (Cancelled)

29. (Cancelled)

30. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 26, further comprising a first and a second sidewall extending upwardly from the support platform.

31. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 30, wherein the support platform defines:

- (a) a first drainage channel disposed between the retaining arrangement and the first sidewall; and
- (b) a second drainage channel disposed between the retaining arrangement and the second sidewall;
  - (i) the first and second drainage channels being configured to allow fluid to drain from the holder.

32. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 26, wherein the retaining arrangement comprises a ridge member integral with the support platform proximate the front edge of the support platform.

33. (Previously Presented) A system comprising:

- (a) a cleaning utensil including a head portion and main body portion, where the main body portion defines a reservoir for cleaning solution and the head portion is configured to dispense the cleaning solution; and
- (b) a holder for supporting the cleaning utensil comprising:
  - (i) a support platform sized and configured to receive and support the head portion of the cleaning utensil, wherein the support platform includes a back wall extending upward from the back edge of the support platform,
  - (ii) a retaining arrangement integral with the support platform, the retaining arrangement being configured to constrain the head of the cleaning utensil within the holder so that the reservoir of the cleaning utensil is situated

downwardly from the head portion, wherein the retaining arrangement comprises one or more grooves defined in the support platform.

34. (Cancelled)

35. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 26, further comprising an attachment device for removably fixing the holder to a surface, wherein the attachment device includes a suction cup.

36. (Cancelled)

37. (Cancelled)

38. **(Currently Amended)** A holder for supporting a dishwashing utensil adjacent a sink, the holder comprising:

- (a) a support platform sized and configured to receive a portion of the dishwashing utensil;
- (b) a drainage conductor situated and arranged proximate a front edge of the support platform wherein the drainage conductor comprises an open plate member depending downward from the support platform.
- (c) a retaining arrangement integral with the support platform; the retaining arrangement being configured to constrain a portion of the dishwashing utensil within the holder, wherein the retaining arrangement comprises a continuous ~~[[a]]~~ ridge parallel with and along at least a portion of the front edge of the support platform,

wherein the ridge includes a substantially flat surface for engaging a portion of a cleaning utensil, wherein the ridge extends along about half or more of a distance of the front edge of the support platform.

39. (Previously Presented) The holder according to claim 38, wherein the drainage conductor includes first and second flange members along a periphery on the drainage conductor.

40. (Canceled)

41. (Previously Presented) The holder according to claim 38, further comprising a first and second sidewall extending upwardly from the support platform.

42. (Previously Presented) The holder according to claim 41, wherein the support platform defines:

- (a) a first drainage channel disposed between the retaining arrangement and the first sidewall; and
- (b) a second drainage channel disposed between the retaining arrangement and the second sidewall;
  - (i) the first and second drainage channels being configured to allow fluid to drain from the holder.

43. (Cancelled)

44. (Cancelled)

45. (Previously Presented) The holder according to claim 38, further comprising an attachment device for removably fixing the holder to a surface, wherein the holder can be attached and detached without any tools.

46. (Previously Presented) The holder according to claim 45, wherein the attachment device includes a suction cup.

47. (Previously Presented) The holder according to claim 38, wherein the holder is manufactured from a polymeric material.

48-59. (Cancelled)

60. (Previously Presented) A system comprising:
- (a) a cleaning utensil including a head portion and main body portion, where the main body portion defines a reservoir for cleaning solution and the head portion is configured to dispense the cleaning solution; and
  - (b) a holder for supporting the cleaning utensil comprising:
    - (i) a support platform sized and configured to receive and support the head portion of the cleaning utensil;
    - (ii) a first and second sidewall extending upwardly from the support platform;
    - (iii) a retaining arrangement integral with the support platform, the retaining arrangement being configured to constrain the head of the cleaning utensil within the holder so that the reservoir of the cleaning utensil is situated downwardly from the head portion, wherein the retaining arrangement comprises a continuous ridge parallel with and along at least a portion of the front edge of the support platform, wherein the ridge includes a substantially flat surface for engaging a portion of a cleaning utensil, wherein the ridge extends along about half or more of a distance of the front edge of the support platform.
61. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 60, further comprising a drainage conductor arranged proximate a front edge of the support platform, wherein the drainage conductor includes first and second flange members along a periphery on the drainage conductor.
62. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 60, wherein the support platform defines:
- (a) a first drainage channel disposed between the retaining arrangement and the first sidewall; and
  - (b) a second drainage channel disposed between the retaining arrangement and the second sidewall;
    - (i) the first and second drainage channels being configured to allow fluid to drain from the holder.

63. (Cancelled)

64. (Cancelled)

65. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 60, further comprising an attachment device for removably fixing the holder to a surface, wherein the attachment device includes a suction cup.

66. (Cancelled)

67. (Cancelled)

68. (Cancelled)

69. (Cancelled)

70. (Cancelled)

71. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:

- (a) a cleaning utensil including a head portion and main body portion, where the main body portion defines a reservoir for cleaning solution and the head portion is configured to dispense the cleaning solution;
- (b) a holder for supporting the cleaning utensil comprising:
  - (i) a support platform sized and configured to receive and support the head portion of the cleaning utensil,
  - (ii) a retaining arrangement integral with the support platform, the retaining arrangement being configured to constrain the head of the cleaning utensil within the holder so that the reservoir of the cleaning utensil is situated downwardly from the head portion, wherein the retaining arrangement comprises a continuous ridge parallel with and along at least a portion of the front edge of the support platform, wherein the ridge includes a

- substantially flat surface for engaging a portion of a cleaning utensil, wherein the ridge extends along about half or more of a distance of the front edge of the support platform;
- (iii) a drainage conductor arranged proximate a front edge of the support platform, wherein the drainage conductor includes first and second flange members along a periphery on the drainage conductor; and
- (c) an attachment device for removably fixing the holder to a surface, wherein the attachment device includes a suction cup.

72. (Cancelled)

73. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 71 further comprising a first and second sidewall extending upwardly from the support platform, wherein the support platform defines:

- (a) a first drainage channel disposed between the retaining arrangement and the first sidewall; and
- (b) a second drainage channel disposed between the retaining arrangement and the second sidewall;
  - (i) the first and second drainage channels being configured to allow fluid to drain from the holder.

74. (Previously Presented) A system comprising:

- (a) a cleaning utensil including a head portion and main body portion, where the main body portion defines a reservoir for cleaning solution and the head portion is configured to dispense the cleaning solution;
- (b) a holder for supporting the cleaning utensil comprising:
  - (i) a support platform sized and configured to receive and support the head portion of the cleaning utensil,
  - (ii) a retaining arrangement integral with the support platform, the retaining arrangement being configured to constrain the head of the cleaning utensil within the holder so that the reservoir of the cleaning utensil is situated downwardly

from the head portion, wherein the retaining arrangement comprises one or more grooves defined in the support platform; and

- (c) an attachment device for removably fixing the holder to a surface, wherein the attachment device includes a suction cup.